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SUBJECT: PRESS REPORTS CYPRUS TALKS TO RESUME MAY 17

1. APR 22 GREEK CYPRIOT PRESS REPORTED THAT AGREEMENT HAS BEEN
REACHED TO RESUME CYPRUS INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS IN NICOSIA ON
MAY 17 AND THAT GOC POSITION IN RESUMED TALKS WOULD BE DISCUSSED
IN NEW SERIES OF MEETINGS OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND NATIONAL
COUNCIL. (COMMENT: MAY 17 DATE SHOULD STILL BE REGARDED AS
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TENTATIVE, AS UN SOURCES HERE INFORMED US APR 21 THAT ONAN
HAD NOT YET CONFIRMED TURKISH SIDE'S ACCEPTANCE OF DATE.)

2. TURKISH CYPRIOT PRESS, NOTING GREEK CYPRIOT
NEGOTIATOR PAPADOPOULOS' STATEMENT THAT GREEK SIDE
WOULD NOT BE SUBMITTING NEW TERRITORIAL PROPOSAL IN
THE NICOSIA TALKS, REPORTED TURKISH CYPRIOT NEGOTIATOR

ONAN AS HAVING TOLD "TFSC" ASSEMBLY THAT EVEN IF GREEKS DID NOT PRESENT NEW PROPOSALS, TURKISH SIDE WAS PREPARED TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS WHERE THEY LEFT OFF IN VIENNA.

3. DENKTASH, SPEAKING TO PRESS APR 20, EMPHASIZED THAT THE TALKS WERE AIMED AT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOINT CENTRAL GOVERNMENT AND THAT SOLUTION COULD BE ACHIEVED NOT BY PRESSURES, BUT ONLY WITH CONSENT OF BOTH TURKISH AND GREEK SIDES. DENKTASH COMPLAINED ABOUT GREEK ECONOMIC WARFARE AGAINST THE TURKISH CYPRIOT COMMUNITY AND GREEK PRETENSIONS TO SPEAK TO ALL OF CYPRUS, AND SAID THESE ACTIONS ADVERSELY AFFECT THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS. CONTINUING, HE SAID "WE ARE ASSESSING THESE ACTIONS BECAUSE THERE ARE ECONOMIC AND OTHER PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN BY THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS. WE SHALL REVIEW OUR PROPOSALS AT THE TALKS WITHIN THIS FRAMEWORK IN THE COMING DAYS." AVOIDING A DIRECT RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON UDI IF NICOSIA TALKS FAIL, DENKTASH SAID TURKISH SIDE IS NOT ATTENDING TALKS WITH THE AIM OF DEADLOCKING THEM, EXPRESSED HOPE THAT GREEKS WOULD ATTEND TALKS IN SAME SPIRIT, BUT SAID SITUATION WOULD BE RECONSIDERED IF DEADLOCK OCCURRED.
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